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TO: **Local Agency Formation Commission**

FROM: Keene Simonds, Executive Officer

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SUBJECT: Adoption of an Amended Conflict of Interest Code (Public Hearing)

> The Commission will consider a resolution to amend and update it adopted conflict of interest code. The proposed update makes several changes to reflect recent changes involving the Political Reform Act.

California Government Code §87300, a section of the Political Reform Act, requires all local government agencies to adopt a conflict of interest code. The code must designate positions with the agency that are required to file a Statement of Economic Interest ("Form 700") along with assigning disclosure categories that specify the types of interests to be reported. Agencies are required to review their adopted code every even-numbered year to determine whether amendments are appropriate.

As part of the biannual review, and in response to recent changes involving the Political Reform Act, Counsel has prepared an update to the Commission's adopted Conflict of Interest Code. The update identifies the positions responsible for filing an annual Form 700 and provides greater specificity regarding the respective categories of financial interest that should be reported. Designated employees of the Commission subject to the update include:

- Regular and Alternate Commissioners
- LAFCO Executive Officer
- LAFCO Legal Counsel
- County of Napa Auditor-Controller
- Contract Consultants for LAFCO

The proposed update is provided as "Exhibit A" of the attached draft resolution.

Brad Wagenknecht, Vice-Chair

Representative of the General Public

Brian J. Kelly, Commissioner

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Recommendation

1) Draft Resolution

It is recommended that the Commission take the following actions:

- 1) Approve the attached draft resolution amending the Commission's adopted Conflict of Interest Code; and
- 2) Direct staff to send the adopted amended Conflict of Interest Code to the County of Napa for confirmation by the Board of Supervisors.

Respectfully submitted,	
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Attachment:	